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bracket having a complimentary engagement surface for supporting office furniture accessories thereon.

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56. The freestanding panel assembly as recited in claim 15, the crown member comprising:

means for attaching the crown member to a top portion of a panel assembly;

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a first upmount portion disposed on a first surface of the panel assembly and comprised of a first upper angled clamping surface, a first lower angled clamping surface and a first inclined mounting surface therebetween such that the first lower angled clamping surface is generally spaced apart from the panel assembly whereby the first upmount portion generally projects in an upward orientation;

a second upmount portion disposed on a second surface of the panel assembly and comprised of a second upper angled clamping surface, a second lower angled clamping surface and a second inclined mounting surface therebetween disposed on a second surface on the top portion of the panel assembly, the second surface being directly opposite the first surface; and

a recessed channel disposed between said first and second upper angled clamping members.

REMARKS

Applicant respectfully requests that the above amendments be entered and made of record in the above-identified application. The Examiner is invited to call the undersigned if the

1. The first step is to identify the problem or goal. This involves understanding the current situation, identifying the key issues, and setting clear objectives.

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